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SUBJECT: "CARABANCHEL TEN" TRIAL CONVOKED FOR DEC 20

REF: A) MADRID 6398; B) MADRID 7301

1. LONG-AWAITED TRIAL OF "CARABANCHEL TEN" OR "1001 CASE" (SO CALLED BECAUSE IT IS CASE NO. 1001 ON PUBLIC ORDER COURT DOCKET) HAS JUST BEEN CONVOKED BY GOVERNMENT FOR COMMENCEMENT ON DECEMBER 20.

2. COURT SESSIONS CAN BE EXPECTED LAST SEVERAL DAYS. JAIME GIL ROBLES, SON OF JOSE MARIA GIL ROBLES AND ONE OF DEFENSE LAWYERS, TOLD EMB LAB ATT IT NOT YET CLEAR WHETHER GOVERNMENT WILL HOLD TRIAL BEHIND CLOSED DOORS OR
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WHETHER IT WILL BE AN OPEN TRIAL, ALTHOUGH HE BELIEVES

LATTER WILL BE CASE.

3. COMMENT: CONVOCAION IS EXPECTED TO SET OFF WELL-PLANNED INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC CAMPAIGN, MANIPULATED BY SPANISH COMMUNIST PARTY WITH COOPERATION OF MOST OTHER OPPOSITION GROUPS, IN DEFENSE OF "CARABANCHEL TEN," INCLUDING PLANS TO ATTRACT PROMINENT FOREIGN OBSERVERS FROM FOREIGN TRADE UNIONS, POLITICAL PARTIES, AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO TRIAL AS OBSERVERS (INCLUDING POSSIBLY FROM US). ALTHOUGH THE GENERAL STRIKE CALLED YESTERDAY (REF B), LARGELY IN SUPPORT OF "CARABANCHEL TEN CASE" AND OTHER POLITICAL ISSUES, WAS A RELATIVE FAILURE, IT LIKELY THAT ACTUAL CONVOCAION OF TRIAL WILL ALSO INCREASE LABOR AND STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS.

4. "CARABANCHEL TEN" CASE ALSO VERY MUCH INVOLVES CATHOLIC CHURCH AND CURRENT ZAMORA PRIESTS DISPUTES, SINCE ONE OF SIX ZAMORA PRIESTS WHO HAVE BEEN ON HUNGER STRIKE DURING MOST OF LAST MONTH IS FATHER GARCIA SALVE, ONE OF "CARABANCHEL TEN" WHO WAS TRANSFERRED FROM CARABANCHEL TO ZAMORA MANY MONTHS AGO. (THERE ARE CONFLICTING REPORTS THAT ZAMORA PRIESTS MAY HAVE TERMINATED THEIR SECOND HUNGER STRIKE, THAT THEY MAY BE BEING FORCE-FED INTRAVENOUSLY, AND THAT GARCIA SALVE, WHO WILL HAVE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO MADRID FOR TRIAL, IS IN A VERY WEAKENED PHYSICAL CONDITION DUE TO LENGTHY HUNGER STRIKE.)

5. NO INDICATIONS SO FAR THAT GOVERNMENT TIMING OF TRIAL HAS ANY DIRECT RELATIONSHIP WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER'S DECEMBER 21 VISIT.

6. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.
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